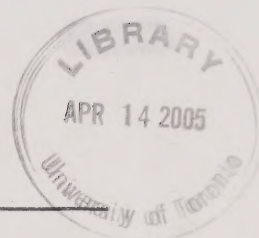


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## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

### SUBCOMMITTEE ON PARLIAMENTARY PRIVILEGE OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON PROCEDURE AND HOUSE AFFAIRS

Chair: Judi Longfield, Lib.

#### Meeting No. 1

Monday, November 15, 2004

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#### ORDER OF THE DAY:

The Subcommittee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to committee business

#### MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:

Françoise Boivin  
Yvon Godin  
Michel Guimond  
Hon. Judi Longfield  
John Reynolds

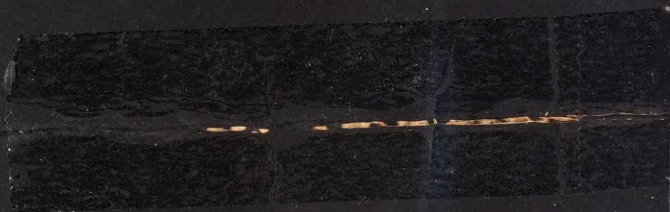
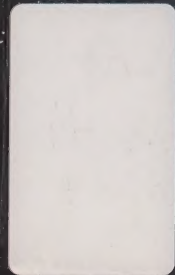
#### OTHER MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bill Casey  
Hon. Dominic LeBlanc  
Scott Reid

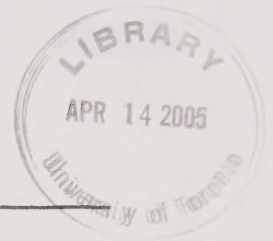
#### ATTENDANCE:

*Parliamentary Information and Research Service:*  
James Robertson, Principal.









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### SUBCOMMITTEE ON PARLIAMENTARY PRIVILEGE OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON PROCEDURE AND HOUSE AFFAIRS

Chair: Judi Longfield, Lib.

#### Meeting No. 1

Monday, November 15, 2004

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#### **ORDER OF THE DAY:**

The Subcommittee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Subcommittee business

#### **MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Françoise Boivin  
Yvon Godin  
Michel Guimond  
Hon. Judi Longfield  
John Reynolds

#### **OTHER MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Bill Casey  
Hon. Dominic LeBlanc  
Scott Reid

#### **IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Parliamentary Information and Research Service:*  
James Robertson, Principal.

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Jeremy LeBlanc  
Clerk of the Subcommittee

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 1

Monday, November 15, 2004

The Subcommittee on Parliamentary Privilege of the Standing Committee on Procedure and House Affairs met *in camera* at 4:08 p.m. this day, in Room 112-N, Centre Block, the Chair, Hon. Judi Longfield, presiding.

*Members of the Subcommittee present:* Françoise Boivin, Yvon Godin, Michel Guimond, Hon. Judi Longfield and John Reynolds.

*Other Members present:* Bill Casey, Hon. Dominic LeBlanc and Scott Reid.

*In attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service:* James Robertson, Principal.

The Subcommittee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Subcommittee business.

It was agreed, — That the Subcommittee meet on Tuesday, November 16th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 17th from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m., and Thursday, November 18th from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m..

It was agreed, — That Rob Walsh, Joseph Maingot and Robert Marleau be invited to appear before the Subcommittee.

It was agreed, — That the Subcommittee proceed to sit in public.

At 4:10 p.m., the Subcommittee proceeded to sit in public.

At 4:12 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Jeremy LeBlanc  
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2004/11/16 3:34 p.m.

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**SUBCOMMITTEE ON PARLIAMENTARY PRIVILEGE OF  
THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON PROCEDURE AND  
HOUSE AFFAIRS**

Chair: Judi Longfield, Lib.

**Meeting No. 2**

**Tuesday, November 16, 2004**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Monday, November 15, 2004, the Subcommittee resumed its study of privileges, powers and immunities of the House of Commons

**MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Françoise Boivin  
Yvon Godin  
Michel Guimond  
Hon. Judi Longfield  
John Reynolds

**ACTING MEMBER PRESENT:**

Pauline Picard for Michel Guimond

**OTHER MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Bill Casey  
Hon. Dominic LeBlanc

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Parliamentary Information and Research Service:*

James Robertson, Principal.

**WITNESSES:**

*House of Commons:*

Rob Walsh, Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel.

*As Individual:*

J.P. Joseph Maingot, author of "Parliamentary Privilege in  
Canada".

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Jeremy LeBlanc  
Clerk of the Subcommittee



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 2

Tuesday, November 16, 2004

The Subcommittee on Parliamentary Privilege of the Standing Committee on Procedure and House Affairs met at 1:02 a.m. this day, in Room 112-N, Centre Block, the Chair, Hon. Judi Longfield, presiding.

*Members of the Subcommittee present:* Françoise Boivin, Yvon Godin, Michel Guimond, Hon. Judi Longfield and John Reynolds.

*Acting Members present:* Pauline Picard for Michel Guimond.

*Other Members present:* Bill Casey and Hon. Dominic LeBlanc.

*In attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service:* James Robertson, Principal.

*Witnesses: House of Commons:* Rob Walsh, Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel. *As an Individual:* J.P. Joseph Maingot, author of "Parliamentary Privilege in Canada".

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Monday, November 15, 2004, the Subcommittee commenced its study of privileges, powers and immunities of the House of Commons.

Rob Walsh made a statement and answered questions.

At 12:02 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 12:05 p.m., the sitting resumed.

Joseph Maingot made a statement and answered questions.

At 12:44 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Jeremy LeBlanc  
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2004/11/16 3:35 p.m.

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Chair: Judi Longfield, Lib.

**Meeting No. 3**

**Wednesday, November 17, 2004**

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**ORDERS OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Monday, November 15, 2004, the Subcommittee resumed its study of privileges, powers and immunities of the House of Commons.

The Subcommittee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Subcommittee business.

**MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Françoise Boivin,  
Yvon Godin,  
Michel Guimond,  
Hon. Judi Longfield  
and John Reynolds.

**OTHER MEMBER PRESENT:**

Hon. Dominic LeBlanc.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Parliamentary Information and Research Service:*  
James Robertson, Principal.

**WITNESS:**

*As an Individual:*

Robert Marleau, Former Clerk of the House of Commons.

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Jeremy LeBlanc  
Clerk of the Subcommittee



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 3

Wednesday, November 17, 2004

The Subcommittee on Parliamentary Privilege of the Standing Committee on Procedure and House Affairs met at 4:35 p.m. this day, in Room 112-N, Centre Block, the Chair, Hon. Judi Longfield, presiding.

*Members of the Subcommittee present:* Françoise Boivin, Yvon Godin, Michel Guimond, Hon. Judi Longfield and John Reynolds.

*Other Members present:* Hon. Dominic LeBlanc.

*In attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service:* James Robertson, Principal.

*Witnesses: As an Individual:* Robert Marleau, Former Clerk of the House of Commons.

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Monday, November 15, 2004, the Subcommittee resumed its study of privileges, powers and immunities of the House of Commons.

The witness made a statement and answered questions.

At 5:15 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 5:17 p.m., the sitting resumed *in camera*.

The Subcommittee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Subcommittee business.

At 5:25 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Jeremy LeBlanc  
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2004/11/18 12:39 p.m.

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Chair: Judi Longfield, Lib.

**Meeting No. 4**

**Thursday, November 18, 2004**

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## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 4

Thursday, November 18, 2004

The Subcommittee on Parliamentary Privilege of the Standing Committee on Procedure and House Affairs met *in camera* at 10:08 a.m. this day, in Room 112-N, Centre Block, the Chair, Hon. Judi Longfield, presiding.

*Members of the Subcommittee present:* Françoise Boivin, Yvon Godin, Michel Guimond, Hon. Judi Longfield and John Reynolds.

*Other Members present:* Hon. Dominic LeBlanc and Pauline Picard.

*In attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service:* James Robertson, Principal.

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Monday, November 15, 2004, the Subcommittee resumed its study of privileges, powers and immunities of the House of Commons.

The Subcommittee commenced consideration of a draft report.

It was agreed, — That the draft report, as amended, be adopted;

That the Chair, Clerk and researchers be authorized to make such grammatical and editorial changes as may be necessary without changing the substance of the report;

That the Chair present the report to the Standing Committee on Procedure and House Affairs; and

That the Subcommittee recommend that the Committee append to its report a dissenting opinion from the Conservative Party provided that it is no more than two pages in length.

At 10:33 a.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Jeremy LeBlanc  
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2004/11/18 1:59 p.m.

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